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DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF RNK, INC. TO WAVE2WAVE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

STREAMLINED PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC Docket No. 07-249

Comments Due: November 29, 2007 Reply Comments Due: December 6, 2007

The following application was filed pursuant to section 63.03 of the Commission's rules requesting approval to transfer control of RNK, Inc. (RNK) to Wave2Wave Communications, Inc. (Wave2Wave) (collectively, Applicants). RNK, a Massachusetts corporation, is authorized to provide interexchange and intrastate telecommunications services in Connecticut, the District of Columbia, Florida, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, Vermont, and Virginia. Wave2Wave, a Delaware corporation, and its subsidiaries provide data and broadband services nationwide. The following individual and entity own at least 10 percent of the equity of Wave2Wave: Mr. Steve Asman, a U.S. citizen (35.3 percent), and The Mennen Trust, a U.S-based entity (20.7 percent). Applicants assert that the proposed transaction is entitled to presumptive streamlined treatment under section 63.03(b)(2)(i) of the Commission's rules and that a grant of the application will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.²

Application Filed for the Transfer of Control of RNK, Inc. to Wave2Wave Communications, Inc., WC Docket No. 07-249 (filed Oct. 30, 2007).

⁴⁷ C.F.R § 63.03; see 47 U.S.C. § 214. Applicants are also filing applications for the transfer of control associated with authorization for international services. Any action on this domestic section 214 application is without prejudice to Commission action on other related, pending applications. Applicants filed a supplement to their domestic section 214 application on November 15, 2007.

² 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(b)(2)(i).

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Wireline Competition Bureau finds, upon initial review, that the transfer of control identified herein is acceptable for filing as a streamlined application. The Commission reserves the right to return any transfer of control application if, upon further examination, it is determined to be defective and not in conformance with the Commission's rules and policies. Pursuant to section 63.03(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(a), interested parties may file comments on or before November 29, 2007, and reply comments on or before December 6, 2007. Unless otherwise notified by the Commission, the Applicants may transfer control on the 31st day after the date of this notice. Comments must be filed electronically using (1) the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal. See 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(a) ("All comments on streamlined applications shall be filed electronically"); Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

- Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS, http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/, or the Federal eRulemaking Portal, http://www.regulations.gov.
 Filers should follow the instructions provided on the website for submitting comments.
- For ECFS filers, if multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, filers must transmit one electronic copy of the comments for each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions, filers should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and include the following words in the body of the message, "get form." A sample form and directions will be sent in response.

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³ Such authorization is conditioned upon receipt of any other necessary approvals from the Commission in connection with the proposed transaction.

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